

In the specification:

Page 3, first paragraph in lines 1-4 amend as follows:

It is believed to be clear that the above mentioned approach requires the use of backup or holding wrenches and keys ~~used on rotary basis~~, which is time consuming and does not comply with today's stringent safety standards in the industry.

Page 4, please amend the paragraph as follows:

The holding tools in both above specified documents have to abut against an adjacent stationary object, simply because the nut assembly is subject to drag friction, which makes the nut or the inner sleeve/washer assembly turn at will. The only difference between the two solutions is that in the solution disclosed in the German patent document the inner sleeve/washer assembly has to be stopped by holding a tool from turning in the direction of nut, while in the solution proposed in the European patent document the inner sleeve/washer assembly has to be stopped from turning in the opposite direction of the nut. As the drag friction is sporadic, neither a human being nor a tool could instantly react when in the German patent

document the turning force increases or decreases as a result of the drag friction, or when in the European patent document the ~~drag friction~~ variation lets the inner sleeve-washer assembly turn instead of the nut. That is why both require holding tools ~~need to abut against an adjacent stationary object~~ so as to keep the inner/washer stationary.

Page 5, amend the second paragraph in lines 5-7 as follows:

More particularly it is an object of the present invention to provide a method of tightening and loosening an object on a rotary base, which allows to avoid the use of a separate holding tool ~~on the rotary base.~~

Page 10, amend the paragraph in lines 7-12 as follows:

When the method is performed in accordance with the present invention, the bolt 7 remains free of ~~friction~~ torsion, no additional holding tool is required, no adjacent stationary object is required. There will be also no side load applied to the bolt as a result of abutting a holding tool against the stationary object. Also, the job becomes safer, the setup is simpler, and the work is done faster.

Respectfully submitted,

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